DESTRUCTION OF THE FIFTH AVENUE THEATER.

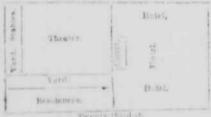
THE PLAMES DISCOVERED AFTER THE MATINES IN SEVERAL PLACES AT ONCE AND ALL LE-FORTS TO CONTROL THEM FUTILE—NARROW ESCAPE OF MANY OF THE SCENE-SHIFTERS AND PAINTERS—A PANIC IN THE FIFTH AVE-NUE ROTEL—MR. DALY ENTIRELY UNIX-SURED—TOTAL LOSS, \$250,000.

Frame, battled a few weeks ago in its attack upon the Fifth Avenue Hotel, returned to the scene of condet last evening and mastered almost without an effort the the theater that adjoins the notel, being attended by no fatal casualties as in the previou instance, but causing a loss to property of \$ 250000.

tion of various theaters published in Tun Turnt we a few days ago spoke highly of the appliances in the Fifth Avenue Theater for exting incling are, using

room under the man had to warre r stage, which was fuled with somes and material; and in a moment the droper Lire and the mulicines-room was a volume of that

great credit for preserving surrounding property especially the Fifth-ave. Hotel, which rannedistel



The lass of Mr. Daly, the proprietor of the theater, is about \$50,000, on which he has no insurance. The total less is about \$550,000. The members of the theater company have been singularly unfortunate leasunged as their wardtubes and jewelry are in the

RAPID PROGRESS OF THE FIRE.

entince performance in the Path Aver was well attended year-lar afterness. play being "New Yoar's Live, Or, Palse Sleam place, and the building apparently entirely safe from fire. Leaving the theater in charge of several of the scene-painters, he went away to be dinner.

nrer, was counting the money received during the tlay. He was anxious to go to his supper and looked up at the clock to see what time it was. He saw that it was exactly 4:35 p. m., and then happening to glance toward a door leading into the cellar under neath the lobby, noticed that smoke was curling over the fau-light. Dropping his pen, Mr. Appleton ran down the stairs leading to the cellar, and upon reaching it found the wood work blazing near a furnace on the left side of the lobby. Whether the fire was caused by the great heat of the furnace or from everheated steam-pipes he cannot determine.

EFFORTS TO CHECK THE FLAMES. Running up to his room he caught up a hose attached to a fire-plug in his office, and, after turning on the water, carried the hose down into the cellar and endeavored to extinguish the fire. The flames in the mean time had run back through the dress ing-rooms underneath the auditorium, and had gained the large room-underneath the stage, which was filled with machinery and scenes.

At the moment, Mr. Roberts, the scenic artist, was at work on the stage, with a number of his assistants, examining some old scenes. The first warning they had was a great tongue of fire which seemed fairly to spring through the stage. One of the assistants shouted, "The house is on fire," to Mr. Roberts, who was on a platform above the stage. Mr. Roberts looked down and saw the flames pouring out through the traps and igniting the canvas and wood work. Several of the men-ran to the fire. plugs, and, turning on the water, directed streams upon the flames. The appliances to put out a slight fire were abundant enough, but in a contest with the tempest of flames which were raging beneath the fall of the theater wall into the kitchen, but enough had already been taken from the room to answer for the the stage they proved utterly useless,

PERILOUS ESCAPES. Soon the flames burned through the stage at vari one places and caught hold of the scenes. With amazing rapidity the flames ran from scene to scene. and before the astonished painters could realize their danger, their retreat into the auditorium was ent off. The men, however, by great effort, suceceded in gaining a stairway leading to the top of the theater, and reached the roof. They then ran to the roof of the kitchen of the Fifth Avenue Hotel and escaped by the scuttles.

Meanwhile, in the auditorium, several of the at-Bendants had got out the hose in that part of the house and were engaged in an attempt to flood the cellar through gratings in the floor. One of the attendants leaped upon the stage, and taking hold of the drop curtain, drew it one side. The other peropening that the entire stage fittings were in flames. In a moment the drop curtain itself was on fire, and burning fragments of it fell upon the front of the stage. No sooner was the shield thus withdrawn than flames from the burning stage-scenes ran out into the theater. At the same instant flames came up

in the lebby for a few moments, they saw the flames rush up in a mighty volume from the broken floor, and gain the gallery, the dress circle, and the ceilng. A moment more and the cutire interior vanshed from sight in dense smoke, which poured out nto the labdges and drave every one into the street. All the which the flames mustered the building and rearend that the fire was apparently discovered at the out and back of the house at the some moment-

SAVING THE CASH-BOXES. engaged in an attempt to save a targe amount of to books, manuscripts, and other property of Mr. Daly, but, scooping a box containing the money taken in at the liceater on Menday evening, ran out of the building Then retorning to the theater he caught up a bex conthening the receipts of Turning night, and near fan neros to his friend's house. Again running into the sheater, he gellected in different toxes of the safe which had been in at the matines performance yesterda? after-Op extension a fourth time to obtain some by which he had placed in the safe on the ald not allow him to cuter. Explanations and exstations to the officer proving of no avail. Mr. Apple

could now mastered the building; figures were ongues of fire leaped high into the air. An alarm a just been is no out to the Fire Department at 645, being detained by the great banks of show to Engineer Sufficien, appreciation the magni-

outer were sevenal control by the time they arrived. are, with a moderately strong wind blowing, the Avenue Hetel and other buildings would have by respondingeners, Hounessy and Galway, on hearher warm, calling for a third division of engines, have was quickly stretched from all the hydrauts ta d to engines fationed near the fire. ern stationed of points quite distant from the burning de, and were made reasy to supply a still greater volwater to the working firemen, if they should The hose was stretched through the street great drifts and heaps of snow, and on reaching there was taken to such points as would be it serve for couring terrents of water into the bureling building, or rai coils of hose were placed directly in from at the heater, and poured their streams into its street windows and shough the open doors but the auditorium. Others were taken to the rack of the surrounding buildtotal; others on the roofs of tables west of the theater Eventy-thirdest. From these high points torrents of cates were thrown into the theater, which after the read and failer in, resembled the craft of a volcans from the beds of flatnes that filled its interior. DESPOSITION OF THE POLICE.

The great thoroughfares in the vicinity of the theater atthering hept at a considerable distance by the police, The police of the Twenty-anth Precinct were to before the arrival of the firmen, and, under Capi. Burden, took possession of Twenty-from Fifth to Fixth-ave., and cleared the errest for the use of the arrhen. Capt. Burden also sta-

to them which befell their hapless companione's few works previously. The proprietors of the hotel were confident of the safety of their building and so assured

many of their guests who showed slarm.

Mr. Griswold, one of the proprietors, told his guests a space of three feet between it and a partition wall, also of it inches in width, which was built by Mr. Eno as a protection to his hotel. The guests were reassured

by this announcement, and few fled.

PART OF THE HOTEL WAS CRUSHED IN. An accident, however, put the hotel building in great langer for a few hours. A half an hour after the flames burst out in the theater part of the side wall fell into a small court-yard of the hotel and crushed an ice-house. A heavy portion of the theater wall, however, fell with great torce against the back wall of the hotel and crushed it in, making an aperture in the side of the hotel

of at least 30 feet in length and 20 feet high.

The room behind the crushed wall was used as the hotel kitchen, in which at the moment the guests' supper was being cooked. Mr. Darling was passing through the kitchen as the wall fell, and was buried beneath a portion of it. The frightened cooks ran to his aid, and, tragging him from beneath the bricks, helped him from the burning room. A physician was summoned, but, upon examination, Mr. Darling's injuries were found to be very slight, and he at once returned to the work of directing the fire brigade of the hotel.

The firemen were summoned into the hotel, and in the nean time the flames in the burning kitchen were kept under by streams of water from the hotel hose. A he was quickly brought from the street, and in a few mo ments the flames were put out. A great mass of bricks which fell into the kitchen were then quickly thrown

uto the botel court-yard. The great dining-room of the hotel, situated next to the kitchen, was so filled with smoke from the burning theater that for the comfort of their guests the proprieors had supper served in several small halls in the building. A part of the supper had been destroyed by evening meal.

At midnight the flames in the theater had almost died away. Nothing remained of the building but the blackened façade and the broken walls surrounding its once beautiful interior. Smoke still curled out of the window openings, and hung in a great cloud embers. Several a engines were kept over the work throughout the night, pumping water upon the ruins, and firemen were stationed in the hotel and surrounding buildings on guard all night. After the fire was known to be subdued the curious were permitted to gather in front of the run ed building, and crowds of persons were constantly assembling before the uilding throughout the night.

The theater was three stories in hight, and had a handsome front of white marble. It was one of th smallest theaters in the city, being only 48 feet wide and

It was so small that the manager was compelled to have the dressing rooms of his troupe beneath the floor of the auditorium itself. The space underneath the stage was crowded with valuable machinery and costly

The interior was decorated in a very tasteful manner the painting being a very pleasing combination of dark through the flooring, along the front of the stage, blue and white, relieved by bands of gold. On the cellNEW-YORK, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1873.

fired. The attendants at this point fied. Standing in the fieldby for a few moments, they saw the flames rish up in a mighty volume from the broken floor.

Of "Cemedy" and the attendant graces. The theater had two galleries, and was very comfortable to the pleasure-seeker, being often spoken of as the "parlor pressure seeker, between of as the "parlor pressure seeker, b

THE LOSSES.

The building belonged to Mrs. Lucy D. Fish, widow of James Fish, jr., and was valued at about \$150,000. If was subjet to Mr. Daly at a rental of \$25,000 per fannum. The loss is almost total, as it is probable that only a portion of the front will be saved.

The loss of Mr. Daly will reach \$50,000. He loses the Mss, of all his plays, including those of "Diamonds, Saratoga," the new play of "Alixe," not yet produced.

'New Year's Eve," on the boards at the time of the fire. and many others. He had also in the theater a large number of old and valuable books, and all of his cos tunes, including these of the characters in the "Merry Wives of Windsor," "The School for Scandal," and many others. The sechery and dresses for the new play if "A ine" were in readiness, and all were destroyed He had not a cent of insurance, believing that the appliances within the thester for extinguishing fire were

The members of the Theater Company lose heavily

securities a number of costly dresses and articles of ourefry, in all valued at \$4,000. A valuable furquouse set was presented to her yesterday by a friend as a New Year's gift, and she prized it highly; but it was also

Miss Clara Morris had a portion of her wardrobe in

the theater, and has jost about \$2,500 worth.

Mas Neille Mortimer lost a wardrole valued at \$1,500 Mrs. G. H. Gilbert lost a very complete wardrole, and valued in all at about \$1,000.

Chas, Fisher lost a good parrion of his wardrote, in uding his dress of " Palstail." His loss will probably

gH. T. Hingrold lost all of his modern and a good por on of his old comedy contumes. Loss, \$1,000. C. H. for Ewell loses about the same amount. George Chrise and James Lewis lose from \$1.200 to.

1,300 cash. Other members of the company lose consid-rable amounts. There were 125 persons on the pay-roll if the theater, and nimest every one has lost more or less ess -s of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, estimates their Less at

\$5,000. This was caused almost entirely by the falling of

walls of the theater. The loss by water and fire was fourth st., was crushed by the failing wall. No. 6 is awned by Philip Phenix; loss, \$0.0cc; insured. No. 8 is occupied to Mr. Constable of the firm of Arneld, Consta-

INCIDENTS OF THE FIRE

. A Cir., loss about \$9,500; insured.

One of the servants was met in Fifth-ave., are the hotel, barcheaded, and having in her arms a

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the disty, quickly attached the hose on the upper floor of the Fifth Avenue Hotel and along Twenty-third-st.

Among this crowd pickpoolets moved with celerity, and

The female servants were greatly alarmed at the preparations to resist fire and hastened into the lower throughout of the hotel, many expressing fears that if they remained in their rooms the same awful fate would come of them which befoll their hardess compared of the boarders in the hotel and those who had home of them which befoll their hardess compared to the many expressing fears that if they remained in their rooms the same awful fate would come of them which befoll their hardess compared to the many expressions and the same awful fate would come of the fire, the corridors of the Fifth Avenue.

District Engineers Sullivan, Bates, and others was the subject of much praise. That the fire was prevented from scrously damaging the hotel and adoming preofficers and the men who so fastisfully carried out their

Avenue Theater has been called at 10 a. m. to-day by Mr. Daly. It will be held in the green room of the Grand Opera House, and definite action will be taken for the

While the fire was in progress thieves entered several dwellings in the vicinity, but they were driven out by

he occupants.
Among the injuries was that of Henry Williams Cook, who was somewhat bruised. Private Williams of Hook and Ladder Truck No. 4 had his hands severely burned

while tearing away blazing weed-work. Officer Wiscar of the Twenty-ninth Precin.t had his hands burned in the same manner.
In several of the parlors of the Twenty third st. houses, the back windows of which looked out on the blackening walls, parties of merry-makers were gathered, who

on in seeming unconsciousness of the terrible work going on without. Scenic artists Rogers & Campbell were somewhat

burned on the hands and face while endeavoring to save their personal property.

SKETCH OF THE THEATER.

The Fifth Avenue Theater was erected in 1862 by Amos R. Eno, and was leased to Robert Gailaher is an evening stock exchange. It was intended to accommodate the speculators who nightly througed the corridors of the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The new enterprise was successful, and promised to make the fortune f its proprietor, when the Stock Exchange passed a resolution that any of its members who should transact business in the Evening Exchange after the adoption of the resolution should forfeit their seats in the stock Exchange. This at once crushed the enterprise, nor was any attempt imade to revive it. Some time afterward the building was leased to George Christy, 167 a minstrel hall. He used it for some time, failed, and was succeeded by Kelly & Leon's Minstrels. An encounter in front of the theater between the senior partner and a brother of Sam Sharpley, who controlled a rival company, ending with Kelly's shooting his oppon-. ent, had the effect of breaking up the business, and again for a time the building stood vacant. Finally, it was leased by James Fisk, ir., for \$10,000 per annum for rior and exterior of the building, at a cost of about The interior of the house was altered; the roof, above

the stage, was elevated; the stage was re-built and refurnished; and the whole auditorium was decorated nnew. At the time of these alterations we gave a minute description of the theater. On the 25th of January, 1869, it was opened, for a regular dramatic career, under the management of Mr. - John Brougham-being styled and known as Brougham's Theater. The staro manager was Mr. James Schunberg, who supervised the structure, to whose taste, judgment, and practiced skill the building owed much of its symmetry and beauty, and the stage owed its fine adaptability to the atrical representations. Mr. Broughams directed its. fortunes for ten weeks. At the end of that brief period Mr. Fisk -breaking his written contract with Mr. Brougham and overriding, as his custom was, all rights that Boo FIRE Page.

MEETING IN LONDON-LETTELS OF SYMPATHY-RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED-SPEECHES DELIV-

FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNK! LONDON, Dec. 9.-There was a general feeling last week among Americans in London that some ribute to the memory of Mr. Greeley was due from them, Suggestions of a meeting came from various quarters; but there was for some time a hesitation about long anything. The meeting actually held on Saturday Postmaster of Brooklyn, and Mr. D. B. Sickles, a banker of New York, in consultation with Mr. McCulloch, formerly United States Secretary of the Treasury, now the head of the London branch of Jay Cooke & Co., and Col. J. H. Puleston, a partner in the same house. Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Sickles issued a circular inviting American residents in London desirous of taking some appropriate etion to show their respect for the memory of their late distinguished fellow-citizen to meet at the Langham Hotel, at \$50 o'clock, Saturday evening, Dec. 7.

The number of Americans in London at this season is very small compared with the number here during the Sammer and Adaman mouths. It was therefore a sur-prise to see more than a hundred assemble in the Langon parlor. Of actual residents, very few were present Mr. Moran, Charge d'Affaires in the absence Schenck, Cor. Paleston, who now lives out of town, and Mr. Conway, who would have been glad to be there, were ctained by engagements and sent letters which will be found below. Those who came were, with a few distin-stushed exceptions, Americans passing through London. The list of the meeting includes Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Dor-sheimer of Huffalo, who presided, Col. J. H. Fry of Connecticut, secretary, Messrs, Lincoln and Stekles who called us tegether, Geo. Rhoddy of Alabama, Coi. Faulk ner of New York, Cal. Georg Altman, Judge Bliss of Ohio, Dr. Richardson of Hostob, Mr. J. W. Harker of San Francisco, Mr. J. C. Bateman of Nevada, and many gentlemen whose names could not be obtained. A number of American dadies who were staying at the hotel sent word they desired to be admitted, and the doors were Consul General of Greece, were also present

Mesers, Lincoln and Sickies, bad taken jears that the carior should be suitably prepared for the occus The chandeliers were draped, American and English flors were hung in craps, and on the center-table lay a portrait of Mr. Greek y. Mr. Lincoln, shortly after the hour named, called the meeting to order, stated briefly od effectively the old of with which it had been invited and moved that Mr. Dorsheimer, of Buffalo, he made Chairman, which was voted without dissent, and Col. Fry was chosen Secretary. Mr. Dorsheimer, on taking the chair, expressed his regret that he had had no notice of the duty he was called on to failfil, but made a speech so agt and impressive as to show that he stood in no need of a notice. He had known Mr. Greeley personally and rather intimately, and he tooched upon both his publi-and his private life with unusually full knowledge anusi appreciation. The Secretary then read the follow-

m, centlemen, &... BENJAMIN MORAN. George B, Litania, esq., and D. B. Sickies, esq.

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Takers for the representations at the Grand Opera House were kept for sale at the box office of the Fifth Avenue Theater. An account of all sold was kept by the treasurer, A area Appleton, and daily returns were made to the current to secure the backs, papers and money, a fine outbreak of the frand Opera House. Soon after the outbreak of the frand Opera House and money, a messenger from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the word in the secure of the frand Opera House dashed to and house of the first that the free and while Mr. Appleton was doing his minust to secure the backs, papers and money, a messenger from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the first that the first necessary of the first the backs. Appleton was doing his minust to secure the backs, papers and money, a messenger from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house for his thinns, and I have neen quite intimate with inn, and I have desented him as a warm person from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house for his thinns and estement him as a warm person from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the first thinns, and I have desented him as a warm person from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the first thinns, and I have desented him as a warm person from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the first thinns and estement him as a warm person from the Grand Opera House dashed to and house of the first the fi

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nie menichip. It is the meeting to-night, white or public grounds, in common with others representing to a public grounds, in common with others representing to the mathematice. I should be gratified, in my humble way, to sear testimony to the complemous ability and unquestigated moral worth of the great main and distinct gridshel journalist chose death is now hoom, odd by all closes of his countrymen. Properson my despest and a factor of the sountrymen. Properson my despest arm after with its object of he inceting. Believe are, occ., Meests, Lincoln and Seekles, Langaam Footh.

All Northno Hills squalts, Bayswards, W., Dec. 7.
Deat Sm.: I have only to-day received your invitation to allend a meeting at the Langaam Hotel, then to allend a meeting at the Langaam Hotel this evenion to be held for the purpose of paying honor to the methary of the late Horace Greeks, esq. I very much recree that an imperative engacement will prevent my ading present on an occasion, when garries my and he property of the calming that America has sufficed since the death of Lincoln. Puthfully yours, M. D. Conway.

Mr. McChiloch then rose, and, with a few words of regret the be should have to perform so sad a duty, read the resolutions which he had been asked to draft; and which are as follows :

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the resolutions which he had been asked to draft; and which are as follows:

Essoired, That we, Americans in London, in common with our fellow citizens in the United states, lament the death of Horace Greeley, whom we honored and esterned for the purity of his private life, his great talents, and his cointent services to his country and to his fellowanen. Locking the advantages of early culture, integrated in the string the advantages of early culture, integrated in the string of the ablest journalists and most distinguished characters of the age. The editor and controller of a journal breathing his spirit, the name of which was synonymous with his own, circulated and read in every village and neighborhood in the United States, he did more than any other man to moid the sentiment of his countrymen. A man of the people, he was always in hearty sympathy with the laboring and industrial classes, the stardy enemy and energetic combinant of every ferrin of tyranny and oppression. Earnest in the advocacy of his own opinions and sometimes rough his treatment of his adversaries, he never misrepresented what he attacked. If deficient in the graces of composition, no writer among his countrymen held command of more vicorous and intelligible language. Under his management, Thir Teriture became a power in the land, and there are very few, differing as they might with him in opinion, whosworld, deuy that this power was used on the kide of freedom and humanity.

Resolved, That those who attribute to Mr. Greeley mental eccentricity and inconsistency of opinion or action, misinderstand his character. Eccentric in managers he certainly was, but mental eccentricity will be looked for in valu in his writings or in his speeches. And while he was not a slave to his own opinions, no man was ever fruer to his convictions or more steadfast in his sepport of them. Those of us who differed with him apon economical questions had no reason to complain of his changeableness, but faither of his persistent adherence to doctrines regarded by

great affliction, an marty sympathy.

tions are very different from the conventional formulas which are usual on such occasions. Mr. McCulloch is a man of too vigorous and independent a mind to be conent with mere commonplaces. He has put his own esti mate of Mr. Greeley into these resolutions—an estimate with which perhaps many of his friends would not entirely agree, and from some parts of which I for one Lendon, and who have had to read the feelish criticisms of ill-informed and ill-tempered writers in some of the London papers, the answer which may be found to them in the resolutions was an agreeable surprise. In a certain sense, moreover, Mr. McCuiloch has been a political opponent of Mr. Greeley, though the personal relations between them were never, I think, broken, and the two men sincerely respected each other amid their differences. All that adds to the weight and value of

the homage which the survivor offers to the deceased. Of the speeches which followed I need not give a fail summary. Mr. George B. Lincoln's was perhaps the most remarkable because it was without pretense, and narrated simply and faithfully some incidents in Mr. Greetey's life of which his long friendship had made him aware. It was penetrated with feeling and good taste. Mr. Creighton of Maryland followed. Mr. Digby Seymour speke at some length and with evident effect upon his audience, claiming a kind of American citizenship by virtue of his kinsmen, and claiming Mr. Greeley as a citizen of the world, whose loss the whole world must deplore, regardless of mere nationality. Then came Gen. Rhoddy of Alabama who spoke briefly, but in a very genuine way made us understand how deeply he, as a Southerner, felt the obligation they were under to Mr. Greeley for his sacrifices in their behalf. Col. Faulkner of New-York, Dr. Bliss of Ohio, Dr. Cells of New-York, and Mr. Siephano completed the list of speakers. There was no mistaking the desire of each to pay what honor he could to the memory of the man whom they had honored in life. Many of the addresses delivered were of considerable length, and it was 1000 before the resolutions were put. They were carried unanimously, and

All the readers of THE TRIBUNE may not know how vivid were Mr. Greeley's memories of London, and how strong his liking for it and for England was. It is not strong ms having that he loved the mother country with something like passion. When I quitted New-York six years ago, for my post in London, and was paying my last visit to Mr. Greeley, and had risen to go with good by on my lips, he said suddenly: "Do you know, you are are the only man I envy. I should like nothing so much as to spend the next five years in London. There is not a city in the world which has so much to offer you." I remembered this as I sat among his countrymen g. readily opened to them. Mr. Digby Seymour, Q.C., a well-known English barrister and Mr. Stephanos, former grave, and I thought that a message from the city be grave, and I thought that a message from the city he was so fond of would be among the most grateful of the many that reach him in his new home.

INAUGURATION OF GOV. DIX.

HOFFMAN AND THE GOVERNOR-ELECT.

ALBANY, Jan. 1 .- The inauguration of Gov. Dix and Licat. Gov. Rebinson took place to-day mildy Chamber at H a. m. The weather was pleas ant, the Chamber was well filled with radies and gentle men, and the great hall of the Capitol was densely crowded. The military, consisting of the 10th and 25th eacort, formed into line in State-st., and proceeded to the residence of Adjutant-Gen. John F. Bathbone, where tien, Dix was staying. Here the Governor-elect and his taff joined the procession, which reached th tol about 104 o'clock. Gen. Dix was met by Gov. Hoffman, who awaited him in the Executive Chamber, and arm-in-arm, they entered the Assembly Chamber, for-lowed by their private secretaries, Col. John D. Van Buren and John W. Dix, and the staff. Gov. II ffm and Gen. Dix then stepped up to the clerk s desk, wite Gov. Hoffman addressed Gen. Dix as follows:

Gen. Dix, after many years in the public so and military of this State, and of the country been distinguished both at home and almost ability and fidelity with which you have distinguished. New York, the chief State in the Union in respondation, itself an empire, has chosen your compation have taught me that it is one also have not still creater responsibility. You set

to them, and I know that it laking your pines I shall meet again with the same manifestations of unaffected kindness and hospitality which made the association to me in former years, and to you more recently, so agreeable. In the voyage you are about to take to the Eastern Hemisphere, and in the longer? and, I trust, the more prosperous voyage of life, you will carry with you and yours my cordial good wishes.

The oath of office of Governor was then administered to Gen. Dix by G. Hilton Seribner, Secretary of State, who also administered the oath of office of Lieutenant Governor to Gen. John C. Robinson. Here the ceremony ended, and ex-Gov. Hoffman escorted Gov. Dix to the tions and greetings of the season from the large number of people assembled. Among those present were a number of the State officers, State Senators, and members of the Assembly, together with city officials. Mrs. Dix, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Blake, and by Miss Ingersoli of New-Haven, received calls in the Executive Mansion. At 1 p. m., the Jackson Corps, which had tendered an escort to ex-Gov. Hoffman to the cars, pro ceeded to Congress Hall, where the late Governor awaited them. A very large crowd had gathered to participate in the demonstration. A number of leading citizens and State and city officials took places in the line, and the procession meved at about 11 o'clock. On reaching the depot ex-Gov. Hoffman entered the drawing-room car provided for him by order of Commodore

INAUGURATION OF GOV. CALDWELL OF NORTH CAROLINA.

RALEIGH, Jan. 1 .- Gov. T. R. Caldwel' and other State officers were inaugurated to-day. Upon taking the oath of office, Gov. Caldwell said in substance:

In assuming this high and responsible office, believe me I will ever make it my duty to take care of the interests of the people of North Carolina; I do not mean to act the part of a partisan in this office. Of course, where I have patronage to bestow, other things being equal, I shall give such patronage to my party friends, but judiciously-sand in a manner consistent with the privileges of my office. I shall endeavor to discharge my duties to the best of my ability. When I cannot fill an office from my own party acceptably to myself. I shall then consider it my duty to select a good man from the opposite party, and I know every good and true Republican in the State of North Carolina will approve of my determination in this respect. I hope, however, that I will be able to find in our own party intelligent, well-educated, and honest men enough to fill these offices. I desire, in conclusion, to tender to you, and through you to the people of North Carolina, my most sincere thanks for the generous manner in which you bestowed your suffrages upon me for the highest office within the gift of the people; to give you assurance that in the discharge of my duties I shall have an eye single to the interests of my beloved State and of all her citizens without regard to party, and while I claim no immunity from just criticism. I bespeak in advance a fair hearing and honest judgment from the public. ing the oath of office, Gov. Caldwell said in substance :

A METEORICISHOWER AT SEA. The captain of the ship R. C. Winthrop

from Antwerp reports as follows:

On Nov. 27, in lat. 34.13 n. long. 17.19 w. center of
Madeira Island bearing s. j. c., distant 100 miles, we had,
a meteoric shower which began at dark and lasted about
two and a half hours. The first hour there were, as near should dissent sharply; but if there ever was a man who respected independence of thought in others and claimed it for himself, it was Mr. Greeley, and his friends will, I doubt not, be grateful to Mr. McCulloch that he paid to his departed friend the respect of judging him instead of merely culogising him. To us who live in PRICE FOUR CENTS

NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

SOCIAL OBSERVANCES AND MUNICIPAL CHANGES. MORE CALLS MADE THAN USUAL-THE MAYOR'S

EECEPTION AT THE CITY HALL. For the first time in five years or more New-Year's Day dawned bright and clear. Through snow, siect, and rain callers have ridden or trudged on foot. and in consequence of these drawbacks the custom of paying and receiving visits was fast failing into disus-tuch a glorious day as that of yesterday, however, made amends for the tribulations of the past. The heavy snow banks which filled the side streets rendered carriage travel exceedingly difficult, while the high mounds, piled up for half a block in many instances, rendered it neces reach the house where the call was to be made.

Corriages were hired by the hour at more than double and occasionally treble the usualirate. From \$: to \$5 per hour was about the average rate. Every sleigh was pressed into service, and even \$75 was paid for a fine span of horses with sleigh and driver, while from \$50 to \$50 were given for less fashionable equipages. Pedestrians had the advantage in many respects, and more people were seen in the streets, making visits from house to house on foot, than in previous years. The number of callers was at least one-third greater than it has been

If one could judgeifrom the conduct of many persons the were seen in the streets last evening, the request hat no wines or liquors should be dispensed during the day in private houses was not generally heeded. During he day there were few evidences of drunkenness among the throngs on the avenues and streets, but as the even young men were met on nearly every block in some of

Roman Catholic Churches, in the morning, in com-memoration of the festival of Circumcision, but the ongregations were quite small. In many of the charitable institutions there were special religious services. At the 've Points House of Industry, work in the shops was uspended, and the children, to the number of me, held a silevue Hospital, New-Year's cakes were distributed ong the patients by Warden Brennan. In the various eformatories and prisons in this city, and on Blackwell's nd Ward's Islands, work was suspended. At Ludlow d. Jall, the Warden gave an excellent disner to the unates, and kept open house during the day. Among e callers were Charles E. Loew, County Clerk : Alder-en Charley, Kraus, Koch, and Keher ; Capt. Wiley,

MUNICIPAL CONGRATULATIONS. Havemeyer at 12 m yesterday. Soon after the Mayor-chet had talk n possession he received a letter from the order's office, when his predecessor remarked: That letter should have been addressed to me, for I am erner's room, where he received his friends till I re ations were the heads of the various City and compy Departments with their subordinates. The outrespects to the Mayor Jodgo Nevar Devis and discrerespects to the Mayor Jodgo Nevar Devis and discretioning and County Cerk Cardes Look were a month the
chier, a Woodbaa distributed, respect, they whom
the Mayor kined, raying, "I always has to get hold of
cometing hone of." In reply to the remark. "Mayor, we
shall now have another plendre of you in the town," Mr.
Havemeyer said, "Yee, they have the houng up here
somewhere, but it is hard to tell where I am now." The
Mayor says that the names of the new appointees in his
office will not be given to the public for several days.

sheriff Brennan had a public reception at his office,
where he entertained sampthously the numerous friends
with each of the day.

chere he entertained sumptuously the chief typen him.
The newly cleeted Coroner, Dr. Adolph Kessler, called to the Coroner's office at about noon. None of the coroner's office at about noon. None of the collection of the form, Without formally, he took possession of the desk of the processor, Coroner scharmer, also a physician, who retries to the practice of his processor. Coroner Kessler has not yet announced the name of his deputy, though it is understood that Dr. same of his deputy, though it is understood that Dr. same on N. Leo, formerly deputy under Coroner scar-

BROOKLYN INCIDENTS.

Mayor Powell remained in his private room until 1 p. m., and received calls from all of the heads of departments. out those in search of refreshments were gratified by the but alone in search of refreshments were gratified by the havish natice farmished by Keeper Forney in he cartiers on the top floor of the City Hall. None of the alber pale the others received calcies at the City Hall, but their residences were besigned during the day.

The cattre police force was on duty, but the city was unto-scally quiet, and tew cases of drudenness were reported. Peter Euros, age 35, of No. 24 Firston, brooklyn, L. D., while interacted fell on the sciencial problems of No. 157 Johnson-ave, while ducknessing a graduce decided whole interaction of No. 157 Johnson-ave, while ducknessing a graduce decided whole interaction in the left hand.

RECEPTIONS AT THE WHITE HOUSE. Washington, Jan. 1.—Despite the unpleasant

weather, both overhead and under foot, the time honored custom of making New-Year's calls was then aighly observed here to-day. The reception at the White House was in the usual splender, and in its detalls was equal to that of any former occasion. It begun at 11 o'clock, at which hour the President, heralded by the strains of " Hall to the Chief," entered the bine par lor, accompanied by Mrs. Grant, Gen. and Mrs. Ba cock, and at once the ceremonies opened. The reception took place in the blue parlor, Secretary Fish presenting in who were headed by Blacque Bey, the Dean of the Corps Prominent among the throng were Sir Edward Thorn and Mrs. Thornton, Henry Howard, esq., and Mrs. Howard of the English Legation, Baron Ledezer of Austria, Col. Freyre of Peru, Count Corti of Italy, Mr. Kurd von Schlozer of Germany, Admiral Don José Polo de Rer Gorloff of Russia, the Marquis de Noailles of France Sefior Flores of Eucador, Mr. Mori of Japan, with many other gentlemen of distinction in diplomatic ranks and their wives, The Right Hon. Russell Gurney, the British Claims Commissioner and lady were received among the diplomatists. the Cabinet, and Mesers. Boutwell, Robeson, fleiknap

the Cabinet, and Messrs. Boutwell, Robeson, ficknap, Cowan, and Williams, with the ladies of their house, holds, assisted the President and Mrs. Grant in responding to the courtesies of the Diplomatic Corps. Post-master-General Creswell was not present because of the illness of Mrs. Creswell.

At the termination of this first portion of the ceremony the Judges of the United States Supreme Court and their ladies, headed by the Chief-Justice; senators and Representatives, many of whom were accompanied by their wives and daughters; Gov. Cooke of this District and suite-Judges of the District Supreme Court

Representatives, many of whom were accommanded by their wives and daughters; Gov. Cooke of this District and suite, Judges of the District Supreme Court and the United States Court of Claims, and officine of this District, were received at 12 o'clock.

The officers of the army entered in full uniform, headed by Gen. Sherman; then the officers of the may, neaded by Admiral Porter; then the heads of Dineous in the several departments, headed by Gen. Spinner, followed by the associated soldiers of the war of 1812, and the Oldest Inhabitants' Association of this District, headed by Ed. J. B. Biak., Edward Semmes, John Carroll Brem, and James Laurenss. The representation from the raise of the army and navy was foller than for several years past, and nearly all the officers were attired in their new uniforms. Among the Senators Morton, Edmunds, Stewart, Sherman, Flanagan, Ames, West, Chandler, Hamilton of Maryland, Fenton, Trumbull, Bayard, Ferry of Michigan, Corbett, and Frelinghnysen, headed by Vice-President elect Wilson; Representatives Maynard, Nibhack, Garfield, Williams of Indiana, Sargent, Wuccler, Hawley of Ulunois, Waxeman, Hooger of Massachusetts, Morphy, Perce, Harris, Barry, McKee, Young, Eldiridze, Duboise, Beck, Stoughton, Haie, Lynch, Scofield, Morey, and others. Of the navy there were present Admiral Porter, Rear-Admirals Goldsborough, Sands, Lee, Poor, Case, Boggs, Balley, and others.

At 1 o'clock the gates were threwn open, and the gen-

Bogs, Bailey, and others.

At 1 o'clock the gates were threwn open, and the general public were admitted to pay their respects to the President. At 2 o'clock the ceremonies ended.

THE DAY ELSEWHERE. IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—The weather was beautiful here to-day, and business was suspended. A number of ladies received calls, but callers found it difficult to reach houses by private vehicles on account

IN FRANCE-PRESIDENT THIERS'S RECEPTION.

Paris, Jan. 1 .- The weather was very fine today. The bonlevards were crowded with holiday throngs, and the city presented the most animated appearance since the war. At Versailles, President Thiers held the usua! New-Year's reception. The Diplomatic Body was first received. No specches were made; the President only exchanged a few words with each foreign represen-tative. The members of the National Assembly followed, Deputies of all shades of political opinion were cordially welcomed, and hearfily congratulated.